

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

State of South Carolina (SC)  
Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)  
Bureau of Air Quality (BAQ)  
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### **NOTICE OF A DRAFT PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION (PSD) CONSTRUCTION PERMIT**

**ELLIOTT SAWMILLING COMPANY  
SC HIGHWAY 321  
ESTILL, SOUTH CAROLINA  
(HAMPTON COUNTY / REGION 8 BEAUFORT EQC OFFICE)  
AIR PERMIT NO. 1280-0004-CK**

Elliott Sawmilling Company, Inc. (Elliott) has applied to the SC DHEC for a PSD construction permit to increase production at its existing lumber manufacturing facility. A preliminary determination, draft permit, and Statement of Basis have been written by the BAQ outlining the facility's proposed project and applicable regulations. In addition to other state and federal air quality regulations, the draft permit is subject to review under SC DHEC Regulation 61-62.5, Standard No. 7 "Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD)." This regulation is equivalent to Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 52.21 "Prevention of Significant Deterioration of Air Quality." Under these regulations, a facility must demonstrate that it will not significantly deteriorate the air quality in its region prior to constructing or modifying sources of air pollutants. The draft permit has not yet been approved and is open to comment from the public, affected states, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Federal Land Manager, the chief executives of Hampton County and the Town of Estill, and the Low County Regional Council of Government.

Elliott is proposing to install a fifth drying Kiln to increase facility-wide drying capacity to 238 million board feet per year. If approved, the Kiln will increase throughput for the debarkers, green log cutters, green sawmill, chipper/cyclone, chipper mill, and planer mill. Emissions generated by this facility will include Particulate Matter (PM), PM less than 10 Micrometers in Diameter, Sulfur Dioxide, Nitrogen Oxides, Carbon Monoxide, and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) and Hazardous Air Pollutants. The VOC emission increase will exceed major source thresholds for PSD, therefore Standard 5.1 Best Available Control Technology (BACT) technology will be applied to the source(s) to ensure that emissions released will be minimized. Air Dispersion Modeling has indicated that the release of emissions from this facility will not cause or contribute to an exceedance of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). There will be no Class I or Class II Areas impacted and no degree of increment consumption resulting from this proposal.

DHEC issued a Title V Operating (TV) permit to this facility on July 11, 2001. If the draft PSD construction permit is approved it must be incorporated into the facility's TV permit. Pursuant to SC DHEC Regulation 61-62.70 "Title V Operating Permit Program," this construction permit will be incorporated as an administrative amendment into the existing TV permit with no additional public comment period, provided all public participation and EPA requirements were fulfilled with notice of the construction permit action. The status regarding EPA's review of the proposed permit and the deadline for a citizen petition is available on EPA's website at: <http://www.epa.gov/region4/air/permits/SouthCarolina.htm>. All emissions limitations and conditions in the draft PSD construction permit have been written in accordance with the SC Title V Operating Permit Program.

Interested persons may review the materials drafted and maintained by DHEC for this facility and submit written comments on the draft permit by April 10, 2009, to Karen Lee at the above DHEC address or by e-mail at [leeka@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:leeka@dhec.sc.gov). Where there is a significant amount of public interest, DHEC may hold a public hearing to receive additional comments. Public hearing requests should be made in writing to Karen Lee at the above DHEC address or by e-mail. If a public hearing is requested and scheduled, notice will be given in this newspaper thirty (30) days in advance. If you have questions concerning the draft permit please contact Mareesa Singleton at the phone number listed above. A final review request (appeal) may be filed after a permit decision has been made. Information regarding final review procedures is available from DHEC's legal office at the above address or by calling (803) 898-3350. Information relative to the draft permit will be made available for review through April 10 2009, at the DHEC Columbia Office listed above and at the following location:

SC DHEC, Region 8 Beaufort EQC Office, 104 Parker Drive, Burton, SC 29906 at (843) 846-1030

Information on permit decisions and hearing procedures is available by contacting DHEC at either address listed above. Copies of a draft permit or other related documents may be requested in writing at a \$.25 per page charge. Please bring this notice to the attention of persons you know will be interested in this matter.

This public notice may be viewed through April 10, 2009, on DHEC's website at:  
<http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/baq/eqpnbaq.aspx>